



PENINSULA Medical Reserve Corps Unit
Peninsula Health District
Hampton Health District
Three Rivers Health District

416 J. Clyde Morris Blvd
Newport News, VA 23601

PENINSULA MRC MONTHLY REPORT

October 24th, 2006 to November 20th, 2006

Volunteers

- ★ Currently, there are 501 registered volunteers.
- ★ Volunteers work in the office weekly managing files and assembling training materials.
- ★ During health department directed events volunteers wear blue MRC vests with name badges in the front pocket and signage on the back displaying their name and role, such as RN or Educator. MRC volunteers who represent the MRC at any event wear a red MRC polo shirt.

Volunteer Training

- ★ 302 volunteers have completed the Orientation.
- ★ 8 volunteers attended the Virginia Public Safety Conference held by VDEM on November 16th & 17th in Williamsburg. Hampton Citizen Corps Council kindly paid for the volunteers' conference fees.
- ★ 2 volunteers completed the American Heart Blood Pressure Specialist Certification training taught at the Peninsula Health Center.
- ★ 1 volunteer attended the REACTS course at Riverside Hospital.
- ★ 4 volunteers completed VDH's Disaster Behavioral Health Training held at the Peninsula Health Center.

Below is the current training calendar:

COURSE	Date / Time	Location	Instructor
CPR American Heart	December 9 th	Hampton Fire Training Center	Hampton Fire & Rescue and Peninsula MRC Volunteers
American Red Cross: Mass Casualty	December 2 nd 9:00 am – 1:00 pm	Hampton Roads American Red Cross Office	American Red Cross Instructor
Introduction to Pandemic Influenza	December 4 th 6:30 – 8:00 pm	Peninsula Health Center	Kevin Pearce, PHD Emergency Planner
American Red Cross: Disaster Assessment	December 12 th 9:00 am – 12:00 pm	Hampton Roads American Red Cross Office	American Red Cross Instructor
American Red Cross: Public Affairs	January 6 th 9:00 am – 5:00 pm	Hampton Roads American Red Cross Office	American Red Cross Instructor

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MRC Disasters	January 11 th 6:00 – 8:00 pm	Peninsula Health Center	Mark Junghans, MRC & Hampton CERT Volunteer
American Heart Blood Pressure Specialist Certification	January 19 th 12:30 – 4:30 pm	Peninsula Health Center	Keri Hyde, RN, Public Health Nurse, Peninsula Health District
American Red Cross: Shelter Operations	January 24 th 6:00 pm – 10:00 pm	Hampton Roads American Red Cross Office	American Red Cross Instructor
Orientation	January 25 th 4:00 – 5:30 pm	Rappahannock Community College, Warsaw	Steve Rykal, Emergency Planner Three Rivers Health District
Power Training Day: Pandemic Influenza, Orientation, Terrorism, and Disasters	Tentative: February 3 rd 9:00 am – 3:00 pm	Peninsula Health Center	Kevin Pearce, Jennifer Freeland, Mark Junghans, Rich Flannery
American Heart Blood Pressure Specialist Certification	February 22 nd 8:30 am – 12:30 pm	Peninsula Health Center	Keri Hyde, RN, Public Health Nurse, Peninsula Health District
CPR American Heart	TBD	Gloucester Fire Training Center	Gloucester Fire, CERT & MRC volunteers

Events and Activities

- ★ 4 volunteers provided staffing support at the Three Rivers Health District's Flu Vaccination Clinics on September 28th.
- ★ During the month of October, 48 volunteers attended training and provided support in preparing for the Peninsula Health Center Flu Vaccination Clinics. While working in the flu clinic phone bank volunteers were busy assembling patient registration packets, creating clinic boxes, and opening band-aids. Volunteers who supported the clinic operations attended preparation training prior to the event.
- ★ 40 volunteers provided staffing support at the Peninsula Health District's Flu Vaccination Clinics on October 17th & 19th. Volunteers gave flu shots, provided traffic control, staffed the phone bank, assisted with clinic flow, and provided overall support where needed.
- ★ 3 volunteers attended Riverside Wellness Center's Health Fair on November 1st. They distributed information about emergency preparedness and pandemic influenza.
- ★ 11 volunteers supported the National Kidney Foundations' Kidney Early Evaluation Program Event on November 18th. During the event 56 community members received full kidney health evaluations at no charge.



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Below is the event calendar that identifies the volunteers' responsibilities:

EVENT	Date/Time	Location	Volunteer Duties
Peninsula Health District Free Flu Vaccination Clinic	November 30th 8:30 am – 3:30 pm	Doris Miller Community Center Newport News	RN's to give flu vaccines, support volunteers to assist with registration and clinic flow, Spanish interpretation Needed: 2 RN's or LPN's and 6 support volunteers
Three Rivers Health District Flu Vaccination Clinic	November 30th 9:00 am – 1:00 pm	Gloucester Library	RN's to give flu vaccines, support volunteers to assist with registration and clinic flow,
Free Adult Dental Clinic	December 1 st 8:00 am – 4:00 pm	Richmond County Health Department, Warsaw	Take vitals and review medical histories of patients. Needed: 1 RN
Peninsula Health District Free Flu Vaccination Clinic	December 2 nd 8:30 am – 3:30 pm	James City County Human Services Multipurpose Room 5429 Olde Towne Road James City County	RN's to give flu vaccines, support volunteers to assist with registration and clinic flow, Spanish interpretation Needed: 2 RN's or LPN's and 6 support volunteers, 1 Spanish interpreter
FAMIS Sign-up and Health Drive	December 8 th 12:00 -1:30 pm	Midtown Community Center 570 McLawhorne Drive Newport News	Assist Public Health Nurses with Blood Pressure Screenings Needed: 2 RN's or LPN's
Homeless Outreach Collaborative Team – Clean Comfort & Coat Drive	December 8 th 8:30 am – 3:00 pm Can do am or pm shift	Julius Conn Gymnasium 328 30 th Street, Newport News	Assist Public Health Nurses with Blood Pressure Screenings Needed: 2 RN's or LPN's
<i>MRC Awards & Recognition Ceremony</i>	January 29 th 6:30 – 8:00 pm	Peninsula Health Center	Peninsula MRC
Research Project on Emergency Room Injuries	December – February	Peninsula Health Center	Obtain injury reports from local hospitals and compile data.



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Program Promotion

- ★ On October 23rd the MRC Coordinator delivered a presentation to a Women's Education Sorority in Newport News on the MRC and emergency preparedness.
- ★ Dr. Trump gave a presentation on the Peninsula MRC at the Peninsula Dental Association Meeting.
- ★ Peninsula MRC pens were received and are being used to promote the program.

Program Recognition

- ★ The Peninsula MRC Coordinator has been asked to represent Region III (DE, DC, MD, PA, VA, WV) in a national committee that will be advising the National MRC Program office and the National Association of County and City Health Officials on the development, promotion and coordination of the MRC program. She will be attending the first workgroup meeting on December 7th & 8th in Anaheim, CA. All of her expenses will be paid for by NACCHO.
- ★ The MRC coordinator gave a presentation on Disaster Volunteer Day at the Virginia Public Safety Conference. The event and the collaboration and participation of all the volunteer organizations was highlighted. It was recognized as one of the "Best Practices" of the Citizen Corps programs.
- ★ The National MRC program office will be spotlighting our unit in the beginning of December for our exceptional growth, community collaborations, and public health and emergency preparedness activities. An article will appear on the national website www.medicalreservecorps.gov.

Program Staffing

Carol Weinmann has been recently hired by the Peninsula Health District to provide administrative support to the MRC. She will be located in the same office as the coordinator.

Respectfully Submitted: Jennifer Freeland, MRC Coordinator